

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims of the present application as set forth below. In accordance with the PTO's revised amendment format, a detailed listing of all claims has been provided. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Changes to the claims are shown by strikethrough (for deleted matter) and underlining (for added matter).

By way of overview, claims 1-5, 9-27, and 31-61 are currently pending (claims 6-8 and 28-30 having been withdrawn in this Response). Of the pending claims: a) Claims 1, 23, 44, 52, and 57 are currently amended; b) Claim 4 was previously amended; c) Claims 46-51, 53-56, and 58-61 were previously added; and d) Claims 2, 3, 5, 9-22, 24-27, 31-43, and 45 are in original form.

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A video output system for producing video signals within a video graphics workstation, the video output system comprising:

a receiver for receiving a video signal forwarded from a video signal source within the video graphics workstation;

a video pipeline for post-processing the received video signal, the video pipeline producing a post-processed video signal; and

a video output module for converting the post-processed video signal, the video output module producing a formatted video signal,

wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a storage medium as one video signal source,

wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video graphics processor as another video signal source, and

1 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video input system as
2 another video signal source.

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4 2. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the video
5 output module further comprises:

6 an ancillary data injector, the injector inserting ancillary data into the
7 post-processed video signal.

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9 3. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1, further comprising:
10 a generator locking device.

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12 4. (Previously Amended) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein
13 the video output module includes a generator locking device.

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15 5. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the received
16 video signal is e-VS, wherein e-VS is an RGB encoded video signal, an RGBA encoded
17 video signal, a YUV-Type encoded video signal, or a YUVA-Type encoded video signal.

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19 6. (Withdrawn)

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1 9. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the formatted
2 video signal is VS, wherein VS is an analog composite video signal, an analog
3 component video signal, a serial digital composite video signal, a serial digital
4 component video signal, a parallel digital composite video signal, or a parallel digital
5 component video signal.
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7 10. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
8 of post-processing includes region of interest selection.
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10 11. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
11 of post-processing includes frame rate matching.
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13 12. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
14 of post-processing includes spatial adaptation.
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16 13. (Original) The video output system according to claim 12 wherein the process
17 of spatial adaptation includes scaling.
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19 14. (Original) The video output system according to claim 12 wherein the process
20 of spatial adaptation includes picture framing.
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22 15. (Original) The video output system according to claim 14 wherein the process
23 of picture framing includes letter boxing.
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1 16. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
2 of post-processing includes changing the sample rate of the video signal being
3 post-processed.

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5 17. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
6 of post-processing includes gamma removal.

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8 18. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
9 of post-processing includes gamma insertion.

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11 19. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
12 of post-processing includes color space conversion.

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14 20. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
15 of post-processing includes changing frames of video data into interleaved fields of video
16 data.

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18 21. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the process
19 of post-processing includes addressing on a frame-by-frame basis the video signal being
20 post-processed.

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22 22. (Original) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the system is
23 a Peripheral Component Interconnect circuit board.

1 23. (Currently Amended) A method for producing video signals using a video
2 output system within a video graphics workstation, the method comprising:

3 receiving a video signal in a receiver of the video output system, wherein the
4 video signal is forwarded from a video signal source within the video graphics
5 workstation;

6 post-processing the received video signal through a video pipeline of the video
7 output system, producing a post-processed video signal; and

8 converting the post-processed video signal in a video output module of the video
9 output system, producing a formatted video signal,

10 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a storage medium as
11 one video signal source,

12 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video graphics
13 processor as another video signal source, and

14 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video input system as
15 another video signal source.

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17 24. (Original) The method according to claim 23, further comprising:

18 inserting ancillary data into the post-processed video signal prior to converting the
19 post-processed video signal.

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21 25. (Original) The method according to claim 23, further comprising:

22 generator locking the received video signal.

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24 26. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the video output module
25 includes a generator locking device.

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2 27. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the received video
3 signal is e-VS, wherein e-VS is an RGB encoded video signal, an RGBA encoded video
4 signal, a YUV-Type encoded video signal, or a YUVA-Type encoded video signal.

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6 28. (Withdrawn)

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12 31. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the formatted video
13 signal is VS, wherein VS is an analog composite video signal, an analog component
14 video signal, a serial digital composite video signal, a serial digital component video
15 signal, a parallel digital composite video signal, or a parallel digital component video
16 signal.

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18 32. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
19 post-processing includes region of interest selection.

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21 33. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
22 post-processing includes frame rate matching.

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24 34. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
25 post-processing includes spatial adaptation.

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2 35. (Original) The method according to claim 34 wherein the process of spatial
3 adaptation includes scaling.
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5 36. (Original) The method according to claim 34 wherein the process of spatial
6 adaptation includes picture framing.
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8 37. (Original) The method according to claim 36 wherein the process of picture
9 framing includes letter boxing.
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11 38. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
12 post-processing includes changing the sample rate of the video signal being
13 post-processed.
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15 39. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
16 post-processing includes gamma removal.
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18 40. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
19 post-processing includes gamma insertion.
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21 41. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
22 post-processing includes color space conversion.
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1 42. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
2 post-processing includes changing frames of video data into interleaved fields of video
3 data.

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5 43. (Original) The method according to claim 23 wherein the process of
6 post-processing includes addressing on a frame-by-frame basis the video signal being
7 post-processed.

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9 44. (Currently Amended) A video output system for producing video signals
10 within a video graphics workstation, the video output system comprising:

11 means for receiving a video signal forwarded from a video signal source within
12 the video graphics workstation;

13 means for post-processing the received video signal through a video pipeline,
14 producing a post-processed video signal; and

15 means for converting the post-processed video signal, producing a formatted
16 video signal,

17 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a storage medium as
18 one video signal source,

19 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video graphics
20 processor as another video signal source, and

21 wherein the video output system is selectively coupled to a video input system as
22 another video signal source.

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24 45. (Original) The system according to claim 44, further comprising:
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1 means for inserting ancillary data into the post-processed video signal prior to
2 converting the post-processed video signal.

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4 46. (Previously added) The video output system according to claim 1 wherein the
5 receiver and the video pipeline are implemented as an integrated video processing
6 module, and wherein the video output module is detachably coupled to the video
7 processing module.

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9 47. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 46 wherein
10 the video output module is a daughterboard module that couples to the video processing
11 module.

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13 48. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 46 wherein
14 the video output module includes a processor that is configured to inform the video
15 processing module of its configuration.

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17 49. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 23 wherein the receiver
18 and the video pipeline are implemented as an integrated video processing module, and
19 wherein the method further includes detachably coupling the video output module to the
20 video processing module.

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22 50. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 49 wherein the video
23 output module is a daughterboard module that couples to the video processing module.

1 51. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 49 wherein the video
2 output module includes a processor, and wherein the processor informs the video
3 processing module of its configuration.
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5 52. (Currently Amended) A video output system for producing video signals, the
6 video output system being selectively coupled to a video graphics processor, a video
7 signal input system, and a storage medium for storing data in electrical form, the video
8 output system comprising:

9 a receiver for receiving a video signal;

10 a video pipeline for post-processing the received video signal, the video pipeline
11 producing a post-processed video signal; and

12 a video output module for converting the post-processed video signal, the video
13 output module producing a formatted video signal,

14 wherein the received video signal is selectively forwarded from:

15 the storage medium, when the receiver of the video output system is
16 coupled to the storage medium;

17 the video graphics processor, when the receiver of the video output system
18 is coupled to the storage medium; or and

19 the video signal input system, when the receiver of the video output
20 system is coupled to video signal input system.
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22 53. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 52 wherein
23 the video pipeline is configured to perform plural functions selected from the following
24 functions:

25 region of interest selection;

1 frame rate matching;
2 spatial adaptation;
3 changing the sample rate of the video signal being post-processed;
4 gamma removal;
5 gamma insertion;
6 color space conversion;
7 changing frames of video data into interleaved fields of video data; and
8 addressing on a frame-by-frame basis the video signal being
9 post-processed.
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11 54. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 53 wherein
12 the video pipeline includes functionality for performing each said function.
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14 55. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 53 wherein
15 the video output module further comprises at least one of:

16 an ancillary data injector, the injector inserting ancillary data into the
17 post-processed video signal; and
18 a generator locking device.
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20 56. (Previously Added) The video output system according to claim 54 wherein
21 the video output module further comprises:

22 an ancillary data injector, the injector inserting ancillary data into the
23 post-processed video signal; and
24 a generator locking device.
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1 57. (Currently Amended) A method for producing video signals using a video
2 output system, the video output system being selectively coupled to a video graphics
3 processor, a video signal input system, and a storage medium for storing data in electrical
4 form, the method comprising:

5 receiving a video signal in a receiver of the video output system;
6 post-processing the received video signal through a video pipeline of the video
7 output system, producing a post-processed video signal; and
8 converting the post-processed video signal in a video output module of the video
9 output system, producing a formatted video signal,

10 wherein the received video signal is selectively forwarded from:

11 the storage medium, when the receiver of the video output system is
12 coupled to the storage medium;

13 the video graphics processor, when the receiver of the video output system
14 is coupled to the storage medium; or and

15 the video signal input system, when the receiver of the video output
16 system is coupled to video signal input system.

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18 58. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 57 wherein the video
19 pipeline performs plural functions selected from the following functions:

20 region of interest selection;

21 frame rate matching;

22 spatial adaptation;

23 changing the sample rate of the video signal being post-processed;

24 gamma removal;

25 gamma insertion;

1 color space conversion;
2 changing frames of video data into interleaved fields of video data; and
3 addressing on a frame-by-frame basis the video signal being
4 post-processed.

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6 59. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 58 wherein the video
7 pipeline includes functionality for performing each said function.

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9 60. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 58, further comprising
10 performing at least one of:

11 inserting ancillary data into the post-processed video signal; and
12 generator locking the receive video signal.

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14 61. (Previously Added) The method according to claim 59, further comprising:
15 inserting ancillary data into the post-processed video signal; and
16 generator locking the receive video signal.